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WHOEVER lives, lives not alone -But by a processtive will Some kindred heart heats to its own And fills that void but one can fill,

The little songster of the wood Sings not alone, nor sings in vaiu. But in the cheerless solitude Awakes a sweet companion strain And even in the sturdy tree

That has the storms of time defined, There is a chord of sympathy Awakened by Its forcat bride. The streamlets to the river flow,

And rivers onward to the sea:

The dashing waves cap too and-fro

Embrace and kies in erstasy. And thus by Nature's law devicated Whatever is, is not alone; Like flows to like, mind bends with mind, And kindred spirits are one.

We could not live, and live alone It matters not what we might will, That heart congenial to our own Must fill the void but one can fill.

## The Settler's Tale.

"Travelers see strange things," said a indulged in a low sneering snigger.

that moment entered the room. wants to make me believe-"

the company, sir."

very dignified, and kept on smoking, or natural courage. till he sat like a Jupiter among the '-Where's the governor, sir?" said the

"It's all true enough said on old Aus- "I have not seen him since I trippe previously been said. "I've often seen stop when I to be seen stop when I to be seen stop when I to be seen to all the little people. The News Department to all the little people the l them take flying leaps that looked tre- wo'd be on here." mendous, and such as I should have "Help! help!" cried a faint cry from pouch, and also about their being able humerous thing he bad even heard. indorse. I mean no insult to our skenti- blacks, and we've no guns."

polities more than natural history." "I wasn't talking about wallables, are only a small kind of kangaroo, but angs and spears seemed to come whisti- lesteners' good sense, for the story is men'-the great kangaroos that the set- agination; for there was no sound to be tlers hunt. You may believe what I'm heard, but once more the cry for help, going to tell you, gentlemen, or you may when the dogs leaped up and howled. be rude enough to doubt it if you likeborn, and that I failed at sheep farming, our made ten thousand dollars at the disperse to single subscribers from \$2.50 to \$2.—the prices to Clabs (allowly very low) remaining the same. The following nevelets, with the usual variety is short-stories, are announced for 1872. Mrs. aged to bring away, as his share of the cood's nevelet will run through the whole

spoils." The thin man winked again, but the

before he could enjoy that pleasure.

mild way, as I had dropped in at quar- so as to hinder his enemy, or else I'm drank up all the ink on his table.' ters where the squatter was also fond of a bit of the field work, I got staying on Dropping the branch, he now began 'Oh, no, I just swallowed some blotday after day; for I happened to have kicking and struggling with the energy ting paper, and it countracted the effect, nothing to do, having been driven out of of despair, striking fiercely at the beast as old Mrs. Partington says.' myholding by a drought that had starved with his fists, and doing all that he could 'Then you have been in there before? for some fresh spot on which to locate his struggles, the 'old man' kept on whisky bottle.' myself, and naturally feeling low spirit- slowly hop-hop-hop-nearer and 'Was the bottle full?' ed; for, after wandering seven or eight nearer to the great water hole; and 'Why, you astonish me!a whisky botyears to get together a decent bit of though a strong and hearty man, my the full in a newspaper office!" stock, it seemed rather hard for the cli- friend seemed like a child in his enemy's 'Well, I never knew one to stay full mate to turn dead against you, and to grasp.

make you a ruined man.

few miles away.

for sheep farmers there think no more hole as the dogs and their enemy rolled side, of miles than they do of acres of land, from the bank into the deep water, and I have known gentlemen out there which directly after was lashed into a REMEMBER the Sabbath day.

ride twenty miles without getting to ing on. their last blazed tree.

dry Australian summer.

that startled me, and was off, flying effect upon the 'old man's head, when and away we were serambling among stood up over six feet high. bushes and rocks, tripped up now and "That was a narrow escape," I said, then, but making a rush over every bit as I helped my friend to his legs, while of open ground, to try and keep the dogs the convict drew out of the water the in sight; but as to my host and self, we careass of the other dog.

were separated directly. "You don't believe it, then?" said the thing; but I soon warmed up to the quite sick and ill. If I had had a knife old settler, stroking his beard and chase, and now getting a peep at the I could have got on; but, unarmed, I spreading the long, crisp curis over his dogs, and now led by the shouting and was as helpless as a child., waistcost, where they lay like a tangle barking, I managed to get up in pretty of cocoa-nut-fiber. He flicked away, good time to where the black fellow was series, or any expense descriptions concerning American and European Patents, Caventa. Re-issues, Interferences, Released Cases, Hints on Selling Patents. Released and Proceedings of the Patent Office. The New Patents, the powdery cigar ash that had fallen as he smoked, as though the petted his manly adornment, or aimed strongly at wearing a patriachate, and the last of the State of the State

"Long as I had been in the country, thin man sitting opposite him, and he it had never fallen to my lot before to be in at the death of a kangaroo; and "What is it?" I asked, for I had at once more I could not help pitying the soft, mousy-skinned "animal, it looked upon me all of a swiden-hop-hop-hop "Why," sniggered the thin man, "he so innocent, tame and simple. But there! it does not do for men who hunt "No, no, no!" chorussed several to be to sentimental, end besides they voices. "Let him tell it himself; second- may make a mistake in the character of hardly knew how I felt at first; but hand stories are poor. Tell it out for their game; for Iv'e never seen the animal yet that was not, when driven But the owner of the beard looked to bay, a perfect savage, either from fear

man as I came up.

tralian captain who sat near the thin over a creeper and came down crashman, and had evidently heard what had bruised myself awfully. He did not previously been said. "I've often seen stop when I went down. I thought he

kangoroos carrying their young in a fellow, grinning, as if it was the most

cal friend, but I'm afraid that he studies "In a moment there floated before me but what we call up the country, 'old ing through the air. But it was all im-

"No black feller 'bout here' said the I shan't complain; but it is as true as my gentleman in our company; when folname's James Smith, a Yorkshireman lowing his example, we set off at run in the direction of the eries, the black far ing, but made ten thousand dollars at out-stripping us, though we kept him

ng, Ole man got him-ole man got him. thoughts of ten thousand golden dollars seemed to add so much weight to the respectability and veracity of the bearded one which seemed to quite paralyze the man, that he had felt disposed to enter man with the dogs, for he stopped short, AN EVERY DAY REORINE.

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There, some fifty yards in front, was should kill their cats at once. What a jolly time we'd have then.'

"Hat ha! Well, old Tickletoe, you're as tremendous great kangaroo, such as printing office?'

There, some fifty yards in front, was a fierce struggle going on, apparently a tremendous great kangaroo, such as brick, but what is there to eat in a printing office?' There, some fifty yards in front, was should kill their cats at once. What a which times he always stopped in front What is this female grinning at?—

"Loose the dog! I shouted to the con-"Pd fallen into good quarters, my host vict servant, but utterly confused he on- To MAKE HOME HAPPY .- To make home being from my own country, and hav- ly held on tightly, letting the faithful truly happy there should be no conceal- all other great men of the time. You tion, receives his answer, answer, and

two or three respectable little wrinkles. scramble-a frightful howl-and one dog cape him. We are in the world all day; Guess! Guess! he screamed. 'If you when again the doors open, and a sol-"The day before I left him we went turned over on his back, disabled by a our minds are occupied by many details, fail, it will be your last guess in this etun procession enters. Pater famillas. out for a kangaroo hunt, for over night kick, and then half strangled by being but she sits at home often alone, or with world. one of his men had come to report tracks dragged about by its companion, who but an infant companion. She thinks I dared not cry out—the knife was too mure, but inwardly rejoicing, like a dethat he had seen near a water hole some had made good his sold upon the kan- over what her husband has told her, sees near. I could not escape, for the strong mon, in our discomfiture! garco's throat. The dog shook flercely it in many lights; she has had the time cords bound me to that chair I cound not After awhile we feel for our hat and "Perhaps my friend here will think till, in its agony, the beast loosed its which he wanted. The discovery that lift; and I could lie there and lose my depart, inwardly full of wrath and yowthat I am throwing the hatchet, when I hold upon my friend, who fell down ex- there has been a scret excites jealousy, life. What could I do? say that this was all on my host's piece, hausted just upon the edge of the water and loosens the ties of affection on either

whose holdings were such that you might muddy foam by the flerce struggle go-

It would have gone hard with the poor "The country about there was so woody dog if just then the leash had not given and rocky that my host said we had bet- way, leaving him free from the weight ter go on foot; so we did, taking along of his fellow's carcass hung to his neck; with us a black fellow, and one of his and now, in spite of the fierce tearing men-an old convict-who held the two and kicking of the 'old man,' he held dogs in a lash, till we came to the spot- on tightly to the place in his throat what they call out there a creek-along where he had first fixed his steel-trap water hole that deepened on the wet jaws. By degrees they struggled into season to supply it afresh after the long shallower water, and so exciting was the battle that my friend forgot his late per-"Well, we soon got into the hunting il, and sat up, panting to see the end,

country, and were not long before we Suddenly, with one of his tremendous put up a kangaroo, when I felt almost leaps, the kangaroo bounded right out, ashamed to hunt, for the poor beast set clearing the bank, and alighting among upon its hind legs and tail for a few mo- some low scrubs at the lower end. But ments, turning its doe-like face, as much the dog still held on; and dodging about as to say, 'How can you be such brutes?" till he could get a chance, the black but it turned directly, gave a bound brought down his club with tremendous over rock and bush in a most surprising the poor brute quivered slightly and manner. Then the dogs were slipped, rolled over, dead, a huge fellow who had

"Yes," he said; 'let's go back. I've

"I was not much used to this sort of had enough of it for one day. I feel

"I had heard of such adventures be fore, but had never seen anything of the kind, so I said, What do you think the brute would have done?"

"Done!" echoed my friend. 'Drowned me as dead as that poor dog there.-Poor brute! one of the best kangaroo dogs I ever had. An old beast! 'he exclaimed, kicking the dead body of the kangaroo viciously, which was, after all hardly to be wondered at. 'He came and before I had recovered from my surprise, he had me tightly round the waist, and then began to hop away. I when the thought struck me that he was making for the water-hole, the feeling was awful, and my struggles did hinder him a bit."

"A good thing, too," I replied. "The we only came up just in time?"? "Only just,", said my friend; and he

ooked whiter than ever. Now, do you expect us to believe all that broke in the thin man, as he again winked at she company in general. But the settler was busy re-lighting his cigar, which had gone out during the narion, and he made no reply

'I say, sir,' said the thin man again 'do you expect us to believe that your to destroy a dog with a kick, why, they "Yes, that's him," said the convict old kangaroo would have hopped into are facts that almost any schoolboy will changing color. "He's among the the water-hole, and drowned the squat-

'The gentlemen present can do as they visions of savages in their war paint, please, said the settler with dignity; their black bodies strenked with white 'and I have no doubt but that you will gentlemen," said the old settler, "which to resemble skeletons, while boomer- do the same. I leave it entirely to my

# A STARTLING CONVERSATION,

A few days past we were startled by conversation began thus:

'Hallo, Shorty'-this we learned was monplace manner imaginable. a nick-name given to a rat that had lost I have for years studied the art of guess well in view till he disappeared behind his tail in a steel trap—T'm glad to see ing, said he. I can guess anything; she be glad to see us? No, it is the cook, you. I want you to come and help me that is my guessing chair that you are who propels the mop and, wrestles with to-night to guaw a hole into this print-sitting in now; and I take great pleasing office, and we'll have lots of fun.— ure in imparting my knowledge to other this hard-hearted female, supposing

## \*What would fou write about, Tickle- I have thought of something better.

'Oh, I'd write an article on cats. I'd he wo'd now have found plenty of bethe angry struggles of the animals and that the bite of a cat was deadly poison, bistory of the world, interspersed with name of our inamorata, and are admithe wo'd now have found plenty of be-lievers for anything he might choose to his master's anguishing cries for help. and all persons who valued their lives facts relative to the art of guessing, at ted.

were to go over on purpose to have one, he might travel some hundreds of miles

"It was a bushy part, and from the both in reach. One night I gnawed a devoted my whole time to it; and now I stumble into the presence of the fair one, are about to initiate was into its marginal part. dent that my friend had been clinging printers' ink, and next night I played a am about to initate you into its mysteriand do wonderful things with the hat "Being a bit of a sporting man in a with all his might to some tree or other jolly joke on the long-nose old editor; 1

three parts of my beasts and sheep, and to get away; but there is no doubt that, 'Oh, yes, I had a nice hole on the otha flood that had drowned the rest. So if we had not come up, the next minute er side, but that lantern-lawed old that I was on the wander, looking out would have been his last; for, in spite of knight of the quill stopped it up with a

ARGEST AND THE CHEAPEST FAMILY PAPER ing had many a good gallop with the beast drag him along with them, till, ments, for they are the cankerworms. may guess it doctor. What is it? meanders out again. It will contain Novelets, Hinstrated Stories, Sketch-spectry, Answers to Correspondents, etc., by the same pack of hounds. So we talked with one cut of his knife that he had Let a woman tell her troubles and follies. He had brought his face so near to We have taken her hand, when a ADDIEST WALLERS

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The moments fly swiftly, and we are quelk wit will often see things that estimated a bit, and shot held ready to skin the dead kangaroo, the black severed the leather thong, and I fancied I could feel the heat in those terrible eyes. The long, keen blade he was holding over me-for what?

The moments fly swiftly, and we are quelk wit will often see things that estimated the blade here hand, when a whirly and he will assist her out of them. He is her otherself, and I fancied I could feel the heat in those terrible eyes. The long, and I fancied I could feel the heat in the blade he was holding over me-for what?

To take my life if I falled.

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American army surgeon: When my regiment was disbanded, I bade adleu to my old comrades and to the army, and commenced business in the flourishing town of L-

As I was starting for the supper table on the evening of the third day after my man wanted to see the doctor. The visitor was standing by the fire when I entered. He was a tall, powerful man-a perfect giant compared to my 'five feet six,' and his great and bushy black hair and whiskers were well fitted to the monstrous form.

If you are at liberty doctor, said he, please come with me. It is but a few steps and you will not need a carriage. I put on my cost and hat and followed him. It was my first call in Land I fondly hoped it was the forerun-

ner of many others. The man strode up ahead of me all the time, notwithstanding my endeavors to keep at his side, and spoke not a word, not even answering my questions,

Stopping before a substantial looking Napoleon Bonaparte! sidence in one of the principal streets, to a pleasant little room on the second that held me. I was mistaken in you, floor, (a study I thought it), hung about doctor. You have true genius; this is with good paintings and elegant chro- your first lesson; come at this hour every mos and lined with books of every description.

Tak a seat, doctor, said the man; I by the fire; it's a bitter cold night.

my feet upon the fender, and leaned guessing lesson, and fervently hoping back on the cushion, well satisfied to that I should never be called upon to warm myself a little before seeing the take another.

patient. I heard the man approach the door which was directly back of where I sat, and heard the door open and close again. I supposed he had gone out, but did not look around to see. Indeed I had no teen years in this vale of tears, undermy wrists and across my breast, and a sorrows of our Sunday nights' courthandkerchief bound over my mouth so ship.

With what trepidation, half doubt,

When I was perfectly secure, my conductor stepped in front of me and looked with much interest at my vain attempt to free myself.

Good stout cord, isn't it? he asked. It has never been broken, and many a stouter man than you has tried it.-There, now, be quiet a while and I will tell you what I want.

He went to a cabinet that stood in the corner of the room, and taking a long hearing a conversation between two rats knife from one of the drawers, ran his behind the base board of our office. The thumb over the edge and felt the point, laid a shaking hand upon the knob and all the while talking in the most com-

We can write an editorial for the next ers. This is what I want of you to-night. that we are in search of the younger

He had become satisfied with the edge Master Ned! Ridiculous! A mere Does she see anything wrong in our ap-

Did you ever study it, doctor? he ask- parel? or has she the impudence to class ed. I know you haven't. I am the on- us in the same light with a boy like ly one that ever reduced it to a science. Master Ned? Since I left my noble veterans I have Our indignation is soon lost, as we es, if you are worthy.

to harm me; but when I looked into his the eyes of the world are upon us-that eyes, burning with the fire of insanity, pater familias is regarding us with a I felt that my situation was desperate placid smile, and that the partner of his

I must test you, he said. I must see I remove the handkerchief, will you an- parts of the house, and we are alone swer my questions?

moved it. tire stranger to me. Without doubt you enough, and have gone so farjas to be have often heard of me, but it will be a sented on the sofa, when pater familias hard task to distinguish my name from comes mooning in with an earthly ques-

I summoned all my courage, which the world goes round,

had never yet failed me; even in the awful hour of battle and, looking him steadily in the eyes, said: I know you, ir; so where is the use of guessing? I have seen you on the battle field marshalling your men to victory; I have seen you cut down a score of men with your own single arm. I have seen you put flight to a whole battallon. I know you-everybody knows you, your name

is in my mouth. I remembered what he had said about leading his veterans, and had tried this harangue to divert his attention. I paused to mark the effect.

Yes, yes, doctor. But what is it? he exclaimed again. Thirty seconds! Great Heavens! What would I not have given for a clue to that madman's fancy! Thirty seconds, how short a

second is! The knife was raised higher, that it might gain momentum by arrival, the door bell rang violently, and the distance. His body was braced for soon the boy came in and said that a the stroke' and his eye upon the mark. Ten seconds more! he cried. What

There was only one hope for me, and that was to guess. I felt that he considered himself some great man-as he had spoken of veterans-some great military chieftain. I thought of our own heroes, and the names of many of them were upon my lips, but I dared not utter them. It was the greatest chance game that I had ever played-my life depended on the guess for a name. I thought of all the European generals, but cast them aside of the water.

Two seconds! sereached the lunatic. Without a thought, almost without a volition, I spoke a name, breathing a prayer that it might be the right one:-

Right! said the madman, throwing he applied the latch key, and led me in- aside his knife and undoing the cords evening, and I will teach you the beau-

tiful art-the way to immortal fame, As I rose from the chair, weak and will step out a moment. Take this chair | trembling, the door opened softly and four strong men entered and secured the The chair was a great unwieldy thing, maniac. I started for home, well pleasbut exceedingly comfortable. I threw ed that I had got through with my first

### SPARKIN' SUNDAY NIGHT.

#### BY A BACHELOR.

WE, who have tseen as manytas sixwas thrown over stand to a verity the mingled joys and

> half triumph, we noted the effect of Blacking on our sewed boots; or with trembling fingers, essayed to tie the fancy neckcloth, for which our Italior had charged us such an outrageous price unblushingly affirming that he was mak. ing a present of it at that amount! How we palpitated as we approached the house which was the -casket containing our jewel, and perhaps lost heart as we approached it, and made a circuit of a block or two before coming to the door. gave a pull, and heard the bell ring in the hall t

Would she come to the door? Would I did intend to make you guess that, but brother of our divinity, announces that he is not in.

which has cost cash money, before we He was standing before me so very consent to relinquish it to the tender calm, that I did not think he intended mercies of the servant. We feel that

joys and sorrows is 'watchin' us.' And then when the old people have whether you are naturally gifted or not, asked all the questions they can think before I waste much time with you. If of, and have found business in other with our charmer! She has a wonder-I nodded an affirmative, and he re-fully low voice, at first, and yet she leads us on, as woman will do to the Now, my dear doctor, you are an en- end of time, until we are talking glibly

mater familias and Ned, outwardly de-

ing never to return. But, as surely as It was a hard guess, he said, and I the cycle of time brings round the next will give you three minutes to answer Sabbath night, we are back again. And so it will be with the sons of men while